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SUBJECT: SOVIET ANALYSIS OF RAISING UNESCO QUOTA SYSTEM

FROM 2-3 TO 3-5

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1. SOVIET DELOFF (GAI) VISITED U.S. PERMDEL SEPTEMBER 9 TO EXPRESS HIS DELEGATION'S CONCERN ABOUT IMPLICATIONS OF RAISING THE LOWEST QUOTAS FROM 2-3 TO 3-5 (SEE UNESCO DOCUMENT 98 EX/29, 11 AUGUST 1975, PAGE 4 AND 5, PARA 11 THROUGH 16). GAI SAID SOVIET CALCULATIONS INDICATE THAT IF LOWEST QUOTAS ARE RAISED TO 3-5 LEVEL, 116 MEMBER STATES WHICH CONTRIBUTE 12.57 PER CENT OF UNESCO BUDGET WOULD HAVE ALLOCATED TO THEM 464 POSTS, WHILE 19 MEMBER STATES WHICH CONTRIBUTE 87.43 PER CENT WOULD RECEIVE ONLY 436 POSTS.

2. HAVING CITED THESE FIGURES, SOVDELOFF REVEALED THAT HE AND HIS DEPUTY PERMREP HAD MET WITH UNESCO DEPUTY CHIEF OF PERSONNEL (MARQUES) WHO SAID THEY SHOULD BE PREPARED TO ARGUE CASE AGAINST INCREASING QUOTA AT 98TH EXBD MEETING.

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3. SOVDELOFF, WITH WRY SMILE, SAID HE COULD ASSURE EAST

EUROPEAN SUPPORT AGAINST INCREASING QUOTA AND APPEALED
TO US TO ENLIST OTHER WESTERN CONTRIBUTORS TO ARGUE
AGAINST INCREASE.

4. AT GENEVA GROUP MEETING SEPTEMBER 10, GENERAL
CONSENSUS EXPRESSED WAS OPPOSITION TO INCREASING MINIMUM
QUOTAS, ALTHOUGH NO SPECIFIC COUNTER-ARGUMENTS AGREED
UPON DUE VERY LENGTHY AGENDA OF THIS GG MEETING.

5. PERMDEL BELIEVES MOST SOLID GROUNDS ON WHICH TO BASE
ITS OPPOSITION IS INSISTENCE THAT LONG-TERM RECRUITMENT
PLAN BE STRICTLY ADHERED TO. ANOTHER EFFECTIVE ARGUMENT
MIGHT BE THAT 25 NON-REPRESENTED COUNTRIES PLUS MANY
UNDER-REPRESENTED COUNTRIES HAVE NOT SUBMITTED ANY
CANDIDATES FOR UNESCO POSTS IN RECENT MONTHS. PERMDEL
WILL ASK JAPAN AND FRG DELEGATIONS TO BE PREPARED ARGUE
AGAINST INCREASE, IF NECESSARY.

6. DOES DEPARTMENT CONCUR THAT PERMDEL JOIN FORCES WITH
SOVIET, EAST EUROPEAN AND OTHERS AMONG MAJOR CONTRIBUTORS
WHO WILLING OPPOSE INCREASE? (COMMENT: THIS WOULD BE
CONSISTENT WITH U.S. AND SOVIET OPPOSITION EXPRESSED AT
97 EXBD.) DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS AND GUIDANCE
REQUESTED.

7. PLEASE ADVISE.
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